

disastrous circumstances, feel it due to her dignity and independence, that History should not record the overthrow of public freedom, for an instant, within her borders, without recording likewise the indignant expression of her resentment and remonstrance.

Now therefore, be it resolved, That the Senate and House of Delegates of Maryland, in the name and on behalf of the good people of the State, do accordingly register this their earnest and unqualified protest against the oppressive and tyrannical assertion and exercise of military jurisdiction within the limits of Maryland, over the person and property of her citizens, by the Government of the United States, and do solemnly declare the same to be subversive of the most sacred guaranties of the Constitution, and in flagrant violation of the fundamental and most cherished principles of American free government.

Resolved further, That these resolutions be communicated, by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House, to the Hon. James Alfred Pearce and the Hon. Anthony Kennedy, Senators of Maryland, in the Senate of the United States, with the request that they present the same to the Senate, to be recorded among its proceedings, in vindication of the right and in perpetual memory of the solemn remonstrance of this State against the manifold usurpations and oppressions of the Federal Government.

NUMBER 13.

RESOLUTIONS requesting the Representatives and Senators of the State of Maryland, in the Congress of the United States to urge and vote for an immediate recognition of the independence of the Confederate States

WHEREAS, a series of resolutions accompanying the report of the Committee on Federal Relations, of the House of Delegates, indicating the policy which justice and humanity dictates to be pursued by the State of Maryland, in the present crisis in our national affairs, and her desires as a sovereign State with reference to the policy which ought to be adopted by the Federal Government towards the Confederate States of America, were adopted by the General Assembly, on the fourteenth day of May; therefore,

Be it resolved, That the Representatives of the State of Maryland in the Senate of the United States, at the approaching extra session of that legislative body, be and they are hereby earnestly desired and requested to urge and vote for an immediate recognition of the independence of the government of the Confederate States of America

Resolved, That the speaker of the House of Delegates and the President of the Senate together, forward to the Hon. James Alfred Pearce and the Hon. Anthony Kennedy, the representatives of the sovereign State of Maryland in the Senate of the United States, a copy of the Report of the Committee on Federal Relations and the accompanying resolutions together with these resolutions.